

**COUNCIL MINUTES
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA
JULY 12, 2022**

Council Member: You are hereby notified that there will be a regular meeting of the Boone County Council at the Boone County Office Building, 116 W. Washington St., in the Connie Lamar Meeting Room, Room 105, in the City of Lebanon, on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 8:30am.

Councilwoman President Elise Nieshalla called the meeting to order. Council members in attendance were Kevin VanHorn, Jennifer Hostetter, Aaron Williams, Don Lamb, and John Riner. Councilwoman Wilhoite was not present.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Nieshalla asked for a motion to approve the council minutes from the June 14, 2022 meeting with a change of wording about the Coroner. It should have read the Coroner's office should be at the jail, not in jail. Councilman Lamb motioned, and Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Councilwoman Nieshalla asked for a motion to amend the agenda by adding the Veteran officer, Mike Spidel to new business for a discussion on a personnel matter. Councilman Lamb made the motion and Councilman Riner seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

SALARY AMENDMENT: Ashley McClure was present for the Community Corrections department and Michael Nance was via the telephone. They need to amend the salary ordinance for salaries for 2 staff members in Community Corrections. The total is for \$10,000 which is \$5,000 for each staff member. They are being promoted and the money is coming from a grant. It is not county general money. They are also hiring 2 new field officers at \$40,000 each with this grant money. Councilwoman Hostetter made the motion and Councilman Lamb seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

**IN THE MATTER OF RE-APPROPRIATIONS
AREA PLAN**

Ashley Elliott presented a re-appropriation request for:

From: 1000.0101.430.415.0.3112	Comp zoning	\$1,200.00
To: 1000.0101.420.421.0.0060	Office supplies	\$1,200.00

Councilman Riner made the motion to approve and Councilman Williams seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

PROBATION

Steve Owens presented a re-appropriation request for:

From: 2000.0000.410.411.0.5713	Drug Tester/Field	\$371.00
To: 2000.0000.410.411.0.5717	Probation Officer	\$371.00

Councilman Williams made the motion to approve and Councilman Lamb seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL OF APPROPRIATIONS
COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Ashley McClure presented an additional request for:

4922.0000.410.411.0.4718 Field Officer \$75,000

And

4922.0000.440.445.0.0066 Equipment \$7,700

Councilman Williams made the motion to approve and Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Jeff Wolfe presented an additional request for:

1000.0068.430.431.0.6834 Indirect Contract Consulting \$70,000.00

He also noted that this will be reimbursable from the bond for the new Jail project. Councilman Lamb made the motion to approve and Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Commissioner Jeff Wolfe presented an additional request for:

1000.0068.430.431.0.6834 HR Assistant \$34,435.00

Councilman Lamb made the motion to approve and Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

IN THE MATTER OF REDUCTION OF APPROPRIATIONS
AUDITOR

Auditor Debbie Crum presented a reduction of appropriation of APR funds from the Grassy Branch line. 8950.0000.430.415.0.2028 \$1,500,000.00

Councilman Lamb made the motion to approve and Councilwoman Hostetter seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

This is being done to appropriate money for GM Development for jail project out of ARP funds.

NEW BUSINESS

Nathan Messer, the Assistant Town Manager of Whitestown presented that EDC Board has an opening on the board that needs to be filled. It was previously held by Steve Jacob. They need a nomination to then take to the Whitestown Council. Councilman Lamb made a motion to make the nomination of Councilman Aaron Williams for the position. Councilman Riner seconded the motion. Motion carried, 4-1.

The Veteran Officer, Mike Spidel is requesting that his current part time position be made full time for next year. He said that his job as Veteran Officer has become increasingly more busy than when he took the position in 2014. The decision will be made and voted on in the budget workshop later in the week.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilwoman Nieshalla announced to the public that the budget workshops were to start after this meeting and continue throughout the week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Hazel Johnson, the Harrison Township Trustee is requesting how she could qualify for her township to get monies from the county the way that Marion Township does for ambulance services. She is contracted with Lebanon for ambulance services. The decision to give other Townships monies for ambulance services or to not continue to give money to Marion Township will be made during budget workshop later in the week.

Matt Farmer wanted to talk about the pay scale that county is doing with the new wage study. He thinks the county should pay people at the maximum to get a bigger interest for jobs that we have openings for.

Councilman Kevin VanHorn read a letter aloud that he wrote pertaining to the June 14, 2022 council meeting.

Councilman Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Lamb seconded. Motion carried, 6-0.

Minutes Prepared by Caryn Strode, Deputy Auditor.

Elise Nieshalla
Boone County Council President

Date

Debbie M. Morton-Crum
Boone County Auditor

Date